

GERMANY TO GIVE DUE WARNING HEREAFTER MEXICAN RECOGNITION VILNA AND DVINSK ARE BOTH TO FALL SOON

ARABIC CASE POSITION OF UNITED STATES

And Especially Desire for Germany's Disavowal about to Be Assented To.

WASHINGTON IS HOPEFUL

German Foreign Minister's Statement Received with Interest in This Country.

BERLIN, Sept. 18, via London.—The German government will give its careful consideration to the evidence concerning the circumstances which attended the sinking of the steamship Arabic, submitted by the American government through Ambassador Gerard to Gottlieb von Jagow, foreign minister, made a statement to this effect in an interview last night with the Associated Press.

Foreign Minister von Jagow said in his interview that Germany could not well repudiate the report of the commander of the submarine which sank the Arabic. Nevertheless, there was room for a difference of opinion and Germany would examine carefully the evidence from Washington.

"As to the larger question of submarine warfare, the attitude of Germany is perfectly clear," he continued. "Enemy passenger steamers will not be subjected to attack without warning provided they respect the regular maritime code and will be sunk only when opportunity for safety of passengers and crew is given. Instructions to German submarine commanders on this point are very precise and definite and go as far as possible to eliminate the possibility of error or accident. It rests very largely now with our opponents, therefore, to provide the necessary remaining safeguards for voyages, by instructing masters to avoid suspicious or hostile actions, or attempt at flight, perhaps, best done by revoking the orders to attack submarines whenever possible and the promised rewards for such actions."

WASHINGTON'S HOPE IS GREATLY REVIVED NOW

WASHINGTON, Sept. 18.—The statement of Foreign Minister von Jagow in Berlin that the German government would consider carefully evidence in the Arabic case submitted by the American government was recently by Count von Bernstorff, officials here as confirmatory of informal assurances to Secretary Lansing recently by Count von Bernstorff, the German ambassador. The American government has made it clear that complete disavowal in the Arabic case was desired and the apparent willingness of the German government to reconsider its position as set forth in its last note revived hope here that the case might be settled amicably.

BOY MURDERER

Is Refused Bail by Judge of the Criminal Court in City of Washington.

HUNTINGTON, Sept. 18.—Indications are that Max Lively, a 12-year-old boy, who is charged with the death of 14-year-old Carl Carnahan, who died here this morning as the result of a knife wound inflicted Thursday morning by Lively, while the two were engaged in a fight, will have to stand trial for his life. Lively was arraigned before juvenile court Judge Taylor and released on \$1,000 bond. After Carnahan died he was re-arrested on a warrant charging murder in the first degree and upon being arraigned, waived preliminary examination. Shortly thereafter application was made to Judge Taylor, as judge of the criminal court for his release on bond. This was refused.

ACCUSER SENTENCED.

BERLIN, Sept. 18.—via London.—The authorities apparently have begun taking more vigorous action against over zealous patriots who accuse others of shirking military service. The court at Bayreuth has just sentenced to a month in prison a man who thus accused a school teacher, in the service as a lieutenant of reserves but home on furlough.

SUNSET OF RILEY'S CAREER FAR DISTANT



Recent photograph of James Whitcomb Riley.

Four years ago word went out that James Whitcomb Riley, the Hoosier poet, had written his last rhyme, that he was paralyzed and near his grave. Riley himself did not believe he could live long. Now he is restored to health, and is living happily in Indianapolis.

DEMAND MADE

By Electric Workers and President is Given until Thursday to Reach a Decision.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Sept. 18.—Members of the American Federation of Labor of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers and the International Association of Machinists today presented to E. M. Herr, president of the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing company a demand for an eight-hour day, twenty per cent increase in wages and payment at the rate of time and one-half for all overtime. Mr. Herr was given until next Thursday to reach a decision.

The demands were embodied in a letter sent to Mr. Herr after he had told a committee of thirty-nine workmen, representing different departments of the works that the company could not see its way clear at this time to inaugurate the eight-hour day. John L. Lewis, national organizer of the American Federation of Labor, has been organizing the Westinghouse employees, but progress has been made among the 20,000 workers, has not been made known. The company is filling large orders for war munitions.

Lewis said tonight that no action would be taken by the men until after they had received Mr. Herr's reply to their letter.

BULGARIA IS ASKED TO COME OUT IN OPEN

Allies Demand Declaration of Where It Stands as between Them and Germany.

PARIS, Sept. 18.—The Entente allies have presented a joint note to the Bulgarian government asking, in effect, that it declare itself as between them and the central powers.

The note, which was delivered to the government at Sofia two days ago, was sent in pursuance of a decision by the allied powers to test the good faith of Bulgaria by submitting recent concessions made by Serbia with the view of securing from Bulgaria a definite statement as to her position.

Although the note does not fix a date for a reply and is not an ultimatum, diplomats familiar with its contents say it is of a nature requiring Bulgaria to take a stand one way or the other. It points out that the allied powers are now prepared to offer the Serbian concession of Bulgaria's claims to disputed territory

CONFERENCE DECIDES TO RECOMMEND

That Time is at Hand to Extend Recognition to a Government in Mexico.

SEPARATE SUGGESTIONS

Which One to Be Recognized Will Be Decided at Meeting Three Weeks Hence.

NEW YORK, Sept. 18.—The Pan American Conference on Mexican affairs announced at the conclusion of its meeting today that each of the diplomatic representatives would recommend to his government that in his judgment the time has now come to extend recognition to a government in Mexico.

After declaring that the defacto government, aspiring to recognition must possess moral capacity necessary to protect the lives of nationals and foreigners, the conference announced in a statement that each of the participating governments shall judge such capacity and recognition will likewise be extended by each government separately at such time as it may deem proper.

The statement makes no definite announcement regarding the time of recommendation, but it is expected that it will come within the next few weeks.

Secretary Lansing announced that the question of recognition would be further considered at a meeting of the Pan-American diplomats to be held in Washington three weeks from today. At this meeting, it is understood, the decision as to what government to recognize in Mexico will be made.

Unless the military situation in Mexico takes a decided turn within the next three weeks in favor of General Villa who has concentrated his forces for battle with General Obregon, the Carranza commander in chief at Torreón, most of the conferees were of the opinion that the Carranza government would logically be entitled to recognition. The several governments will endeavor to learn not only that territory each faction controls but what promise of stability the factions give that aspire to recognition. To determine exactly what is the status of the different factions the several governments will examine the situation each in its own way. The United States will seek to form its judgment through long and exhaustive reports from its consuls, supplemented by personal conferences in Washington between Secretary Lansing and representatives of all groups and elements. They will be heard impartially as to their claims and members of the Pan American conference can attend such informal conferences or hearings, if they desire, but no obligation is imposed on any of the Pan-American governments to join the United States in such a course.

While some of the conferees may at the end of three weeks reach different conclusions as to the government that ought to be recognized, confidence was expressed by many

RIFLE TEAM MEET

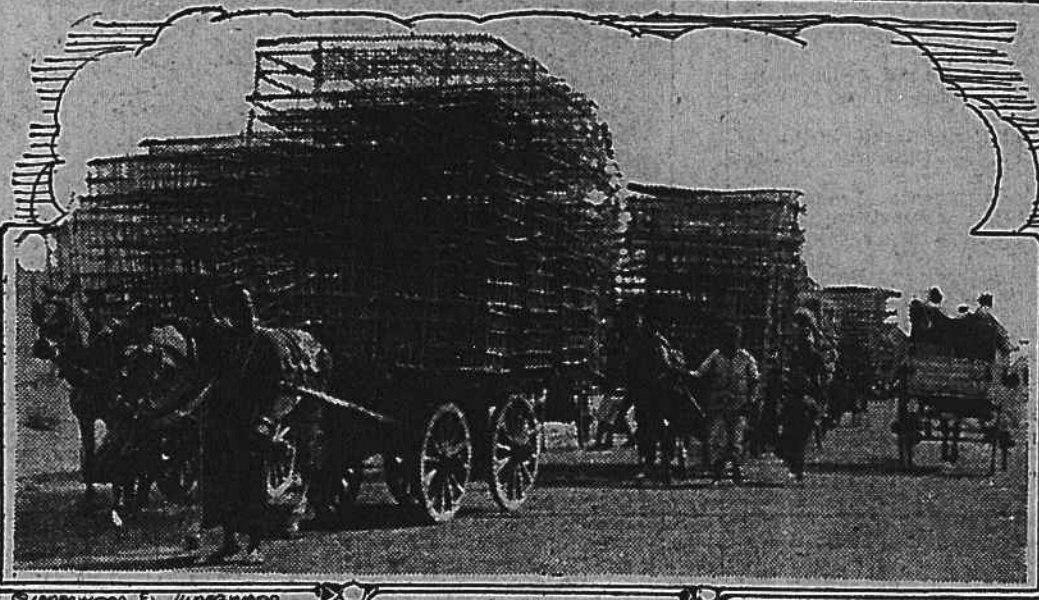
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DATE PALM BEDSTEDS FOR ALLIES WOUNDED IN DARDANELLES



Wagon loads of date palm bedsteads being transported to British field hospitals.

So great a toll has been paid by the allied forces endeavoring to force the Dardanelles that the available field hospitals in Egypt where many of the wounded have been taken, have been found inadequate. This has made necessary the erection and equipment of many temporary hospitals. The great number of beds it has been found necessary to secure for the accommodation of the wounded have been rapidly made of date palm trees. These beds resemble bird cages.

MAY CALL STATE

SOLONS TOGETHER

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(SPECIAL TO THE TELEGRAM)

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More Russian Prisoners Are Taken with Machine Guns. But No Big Weapons.

VILNA AN EMPTY SHELL

In the Southeast the Teutons Bring the Russian Offensive to An End.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)

LONDON, Sept. 18.—With the armies in the West and at the Dardanelles remaining at a standstill and practicing chiefly in artillery engagements and bombing operations, the battles on the eastern front continue to create the greatest interest. Even there things are not moving so rapidly as they did during the earlier months of the summer, although Field Marshal von Hindenburg's offensive in Courland seems to be making considerable headway and there as in the case of Field Marshal von Mackensen army further south, more Russian prisoners with machine guns, but no big weapons are falling into the German net.

Vilna is nearly surrounded and wonder is expressed that the Germans have not already taken the city, which, like the other towns evacuated by the Russians, has been reduced to an empty shell.

Dvinsk, too, apparently will go when Vilna falls, although the offensive developed by the Russians along the shores of the gulf of Riga, immediately east of the town of Riga, may compel the Germans to turn their attention in that direction.

Russian Offensive Ends.

In the Southeast the Germans claim to have brought the Russian offensive to an end, but it is not likely that any movement of great importance can be taken in that district, which the German correspondents describe as a quagmire, through which it is next to impossible to move transport wagons, let alone heavy guns.

What seemingly has happened is that the Russians finding that their advance into Galicia was bringing their line out of alignment with the rest of the front, have withdrawn to the Stripa river, just north of the Gabczak when they began their attacks that drove the Austro-Germans to the Stripa river, just north of the Galician frontier. On the other hand, the Russians reinforced, have become more aggressive in the fortress triangle of Rovno, Dubno and Lutsk and have compelled the Austrians to retire westward.

Attacks to Begin.

There is increased liveliness along the Serbian border, an indication that the long-threatened Austro-German attacks, with a view to rushing help to the Turks are about to commence. The Serbians express the greatest confidence in their ability to defend the mountain fastnesses through which an invading army would necessarily pass.

The Entente powers have presented a new note to Bulgaria, which country having succeeded in getting what she wanted from Turkey without fighting, is believed to be living in the hope that the much-desired Macedonia will fall to her in the same way and that she will be able to maintain her neutrality to the end.

AUSTRIANS WITHDRAWING TO PREPARED POSITIONS

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)

VIENNA, via London, Sept. 18.—The Austrians are withdrawing their front in the sector of the Volhynian triangle of fortresses—Lutsk, Dubno and Novno—to prepared positions further west, according to Austrian official statement given out here today. In this section the Austrians are fighting against superior Russian forces, it is stated, and have repulsed numerous attacks.

NEW RATES SUSPENDED.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 18.—Increased rates on sheet iron or steel in carloads, from Pittsburg, Chicago and other points to Spokane, Wash., were suspended today by the Interstate Commerce Commission until January 15. The increase amounts to ten cents per 100 pounds.